

REMARKS

The Office communication requests a clear definition for the following claim language:

1. "a height less than that of a solder ball external contact having a diameter of from 0.3 mm to 0.762 mm" (claim 9);
2. "a spacing S of the external contacts larger than the spacing of solder ball external contacts having a diameter of from 0.3 mm to 0.762 mm" (claim 14); and
3. "that of solder ball external contacts having a diameter of from 0.3 mm to 0.762 mm" (claim 62).


In response to these requests, Applicant states that there is no clear definition for these terms in the specification, and a clear definition cannot be readily obtained. Applicant further states that the magnitude of the height requested in question 1 is unknown, and the magnitude of the spacing requested in question 2 is unknown.

In order to make the claims clearer, claims 9, 14 and 62 have been amended to remove the above claim language.

Favorable consideration and allowance of claims 1, 2, 4, 9-17 and 58-64 is requested. In addition, rejoinder of withdrawn dependent claims 3 and 6-8 is requested. An Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with this Response. Should any issues arise that will advance this case to allowance, the Examiner is asked to contact the undersigned by telephone.

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